

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the paragraph at page 3, lines 5-17 with the following amended paragraph:

As means for solving the above problems, there has been proposed a method of forming a casing of a gear drive unit as a case body with a heat transfer and conducting synthetic resin (see, for example, Patent Document 1 (Japanese Unexamined Patent Publication (Tokukai) No. 7-151263, pages 1 to 4 and Fig. 1)). According to this method, the casing of the gear drive unit for valve is formed of a synthetic resin such as rigid vinyl chloride, epoxy or FRP and, even when used for a piping material through which a low temperature fluid flow, dew condensation occurs on the internal and external surfaces of the casing and a gear mechanism in the casing does not occur and therefore water droplets are not formed, and thus obstruction in operation due to rust can be prevented.

Please replace the paragraph at page 3, lines 18-31 with the following amended paragraph:

In the valve body of the butterfly valve, there is proposed a method of forming a valve box as the valve body with a fiber-reinforced resin (see, for example, Patent Document 2 (Japanese Unexamined Patent Publication (Tokukai) No. 6-288478, pages 1 to 5 and Fig. 4))). According to this method, a valve box of a butterfly valve made of a resin is formed by disposing a fiber-reinforced prefoam in a ring-shaped flask using a fiber-reinforced resin such as FRP, charging a resin solution while rotating the ring-shaped flask, passing the resin solution through the reinforcing fiber, and transferring outside thereby to gradually increase the thickness inside. Thus, there can be formed a valve box which is hardly corroded even if scratched by an external force or fluid pressure, and also has improved durability.